

COMPREHENSIVE TRAVEL & TRANSPORTATION MANAGEMENT

BLM CARSON CITY DISTRICT OFFICE

The BLM Carson City District (CCD) is developing the Resource Management Plan (RMP) and Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) for the CCD planning area. The Carson City RMP will provide detailed information about the current state of resources on public lands within the CCD's 5 million acre planning area, and set forth a plan of action for managing those resources for the next 15-20 years under the BLM's multiple use mandate. A comprehensive travel and transportation management plan will be developed concurrently with the RMP process.

What is Comprehensive Travel and Transportation Management?

Comprehensive Travel and Transportation Management is the process of planning for, managing and maintaining the access and transportation infrastructure on public lands. The CCD will be using a collaborative approach to develop goals, objectives and procedures that allow motorized and non-motorized travel on public lands while protecting sensitive resource areas and meeting resource management objectives. The planning process will address a wide range of transportation needs including access for mineral and energy development, private property and administrative needs as well as roads, primitive roads and trails for recreational uses including Off Highway Vehicles, biking, hiking, and equestrian use.

What are the steps of the process?

Steps will include:

- I. Producing a preliminary map of the existing road and trail network.
- 2. Outlining additional data needs and a strategy to collect needed information.
- Conducting trail/road inventories throughout the CCD.
- 4. Public participation to share data and facts about the travel network in the CCD.
- 5. Producing a revised map of the existing road and trail network.
- Identifying any easements and rights-of-way needed by the BLM and others to maintain the access to public land.
- 7. Developing travel network alternatives to be analyzed during the NEPA process.
- 8. Developing guidelines for signing and maintaining the travel network.

Travel management workshops will be held in October 2012 for the general public, resource users and partner agencies to exchange facts and information with the BLM.

Workshop Objectives:

- Provide an overview of how travel management and route designations coincide with the RMP effort.
- 2. Obtain information on routes, uses, and conflicts in high-use areas on BLM-administered lands.
- 3. Have participants identify existing access points and other issues regarding travel on BLM-administered lands.

Public Workshops – 5:00 to 7:00 pm

- October 10 John Ascuaga's Nugget, Poolside Terrace Room 1100 Nugget Avenue, Sparks, Nevada 89431
- October 16 Fallon Convention Center 100 Campus Way, Fallon, Nevada
- October 18 Carson Valley Inn 1627 US Highway 395, Minden, Nevada